

High-Level Agenda

The 2019 Families Learning Conference schedule will be published in the Summer 2019. For travel planning, please refer to the following high-level schedule. These times are tentative and subject to change. All times listed are Eastern Time Zone.

Sunday, November 3

Pre-Conference Session with Timothy Shanahan, noon to 3:00pm *(limited to first 200 registrants)*

Monday, November 4

Opening Session, 8:00am to 9:30am

Concurrent timeblock 1, 9:45am to 11am

Concurrent timeblock 2, 11:15am to 12:30pm

Lunch, 12:30pm to 1:45pm

Concurrent timeblock 3, 1:45pm to 3pm

Concurrent timeblock 4, 3:15pm to 4:30pm

Networking event for all attendees, 5:30pm to 7:00pm

Tuesday, November 5

General Session, 8:15am to 9:30am

Concurrent timeblock 5, 9:45am to 11am

Concurrent timeblock 6, 11:15am to 12:30pm

Lunch, 12:30pm to 1:45pm

Concurrent timeblock 7, 1:45pm to 3pm

Concurrent timeblock 8, 3:15pm to 4:30pm

Banquet Celebration, 6:30pm to 9:00pm

Wednesday, November 6

Deep-dive sessions, 8:15am to 10:15am

Closing Brunch, 10:30am to 12:30pm

Sampling of Concurrent Session Titles

The 2019 Families Learning Conference will feature content in seven educational strands. Strands are listed below with a sampling of concurrent sessions. *Although the conference planning committee does not anticipate cancellations, the following is subject to change.*

Adult Education

Finding GED®: Navigating the Search for Adult Literacy Services, Debi Faucette, GED Testing Service

The Adult Literacy XPRIZE : From App Development to Distribution, Monica Groves, XPRIZE

Tinker Tuesdays: Engaging ESL Family Literacy Adult Learners' in STEAM, Beth Detwiler, Oakland Unified School District

Early Childhood Education

The Language-Experience Approach, Timothy Shanahan, University of Illinois at Chicago

Harnessing Local Resources to Increase Access, Joanna Haas, Kentucky Science Center

Interactive Literacy Activities: A Method for Promoting Learning, Beth McLean, Penn State Goodling Institute

Funding and Sustainability

Building Authentic Funding Partnerships, Cassie Perham, Oakland Literacy Coalition

Using Family Literacy to Grow Cradle to Career Collective Impact Efforts, Danielle Brown, Flint and Genesee Literacy Network

3-2-1-Ignite! Building Family Engagement Pathways Through STEAM Ecologies, Heather Weiss, Global Family Research Project

K-12 Education

How Do You Know if ALL of Your Family Engagement Efforts Are Working?, Ron Mirr, Scholastic Education

Creating Meaningful PACT Time Experiences, Leesa Hoyt Kraeger, Lincoln Public Schools

KinderBoost: Supporting the Transition to School, Lesley Graham, Save the Children

Library

Creating Community, Creating Content - Somali Book Project, Amy Twito, The Seattle Public Library

The Wash & Learn Initiative: Libraries in Laundromats, Azure Grimes, Libraries Without Borders

Read, Eat, Grow: Culinary Literacy for South Carolina Families, Andersen Cook, South Carolina State Library

Parent Leadership

When Parents Lead, Frances Frost, Montgomery County Public Schools

Pathways to Success, Empowerment and Parent Leaders, Lyndon Pryor, Louisville Urban League

Family-Centered Coaching: Transforming Practice to Engage Families, Rachel Brooks, The Prosperity Agenda

Research and Policy

Uncovering USA's Best Kept Secret: Family Support & Strengthening Networks, Samantha Florey, National Family Support Network

Making ESSA's Equity Promise Real – State Strategies to Close the Opportunity Gap, Stephen Kostyo, Learning Policy Institute

Family Literacy Behind Bars: The Read to Your Child Program in a PA Prison, Tabitha Stickel, Penn State University